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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re Application by SBC Communications Inc., et al. For Provision of In-Region InterLATA Services in Michigan, WC Docket No. 03-16

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I would like to inform you that I had a telephone conversation with Ms Donna Burke, SBC Michigan VP today regarding the upcoming ruling decision on whether to allow SBC et al to include long distance with their local service and other offerings. It is our opinion at CLEARlink that allowing SBC (Michigan Bell) to offer long distance would benefit us and our many non-profit clients by simplifying the selection of telecommunications services and would reduce their time and costs through simpler and clearer billing and paying procedures. Prices for phone services have become very competitive, but the selection process, especially when multiple vendors must be selected, is too complex. Approval of long distance carriage by Michigan Bell would be a significant step towards clarification.

In accordance with this Commission's Public Notice, DA 03-156 (Jan.16, 2003), I am filing this letter electronically through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System. Thank you for your kind assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Donna Burke, SBC Michigan.